

(b) amino acid residues 19 to 197 of SEQ ID NO:3,

(c) the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522, or

D1 (d) the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522 lacking its associated signal peptide encoding region; wherein said isolated polypeptide is capable of inducing the production of TNF- α in human leukemia monocytic THP-1 cells.

71. (Amended) An isolated polypeptide comprising at least 95% amino acid sequence identity to:

(a) the amino acid residues 1 to 197 of SEQ ID NO:3,

(b) the amino acid residues 19 to 197 of SEQ ID NO:3,

(c) the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522, or

D2 (d) the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522 lacking its associated signal peptide encoding region; wherein said isolated polypeptide is capable of inducing the production of TNF- α in human leukemia monocytic THP-1 cells.

74. (Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 71 which comprises the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522.

D3 75. (Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 71 which comprises the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522 lacking its associated signal peptide encoding region.

76. (Amended) An isolated polypeptide comprising:

(a) amino acid residues 1 to 197 of SEQ ID NO:3,

(b) amino acid residues 19 to 197 of SEQ ID NO:3,

D3 (c) the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522, or

(d) the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522 lacking its associated signal peptide encoding region.

79. (Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 76 comprising the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522.

D4 80. (Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 76 comprising the amino acids encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203522 lacking its associated signal peptide encoding region.
